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NAME: THE ALBERT E. THORNTON HOUSE

LOCATION: 105 WEST PACES FERRY RD. N.W.

OWNER: *see below*

DESCRIPTION: A STUCCO, REGENCY REVIVAL STRUCTURE DESIGNED BY PHILLIP SHUTZE. THE LANDSCAPING IS ATTRIBUTED TO SHUTZE AS WELL. A 5 BAY CENTRAL BLOCK, WITH ONE STORY WINGS.

SLATE, HIPPED ROOF WITH PAIRED TERMINAL CHIMNEYS.



Letter "P" on the Map

Photographer Facing North

SIGNIFICANCE: A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE REGENCY REVIVAL STYLE IN ATLANTA. THE APSODIAL ENTRANCE AND USE OF THE ELLIPTICAL WINDOW AND THE "EYE-LID" DORMER AND STUCCO BUILDING MATERIAL MAKE THIS COMPOSITION A CONVINCING REGENCY DESIGN THAT WOULD BE AS COMFORTABLE IN LONDON AS IT IS ON WEST PACES FERRY RD. THE LANDSCAPING ADDS TREMENDOUSLY TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS SHUTZE MASTERPIECE. THE GARDEN FACADE IS, PERHAPS, THE MOST PLEASING SIDE OF THE HOUSE. THE PORTICO AND DOUBLE STAIR LEAD TO A SEMI-CIRCULAR TERRACE WITH STEPS LEADING TO A PLEASANT STRETCH OF LAWN BORDERED BY A NATURAL WOODED AREA.

Albert E. Thornton, Jr. built this house, one of the last estates along the road. He was a grandson of Gen. Alfred Austell, one of Atlanta's pioneers. He was a prominent attorney and a director of many firms. His brother, Alfred Austell Thornton had owned land very early along the road and had plans to build in 1911 but met an early death in 1913.

DATE: c. 1938

UTM REFERENCE: Zone 16/E741430/N3747809

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:  
Tax Map No. 17/0115/0001/002

Property Owner:

Mr. Frank C. Jones  
105 West Paces Ferry Rd. N.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

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RECORDED BY: SPENCER TUNNELL

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